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THREE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Our Public Schools Will Close a Good Year's Work Next Week With Two Fine Programs

The Laclede school closes next week. The commencement exercises will be held at the opera house Thursday and Friday evenings. The exercises Thursday evening will be given by the grammar school graduates with assistance of the lower grades. This will be the first grammar school commencement and it promises to be very successful. The eighth grade pupils are taking a great interest in their graduation and are preparing an excellent program.

The baccalaureate address to the senior class of '09 will be delivered by Rev. L. C. Powell at the M. E. church next Sunday evening.

The senior class, though few in numbers is one of the strongest that has been graduated from the high school. The first honors were won by Miss Mabel Kraft; and the second, by Miss Lula Walker. Following is the senior program:

a. March....."Mother April" (Du Pont)
b. Caprice....."Evening Slumbers" (Meredith)
Orchestra
Invocation.....Rev. L. C. Powell
Chorus....."Flower Song" (G. E. Oliver)
Essay and Salutatory....."The Passing Show"
S. Lula Walker
Piano Solo....."Valse" (Chopin)
Mabel Rose Kraft
Essay....."Black the Heels of Your Boots"
Lola Bently Brown
a. Valse....."Tayo Siempre" (Viano)
b. March....."Top Liners" (Baum)
Orchestra
Class Will.....Mabel Rose Kraft
Class History.....Lola Bently Brown
Chorus....."Anchored" (Watson)
Reading....."A Shaker Romance"
S. Lula Walker
Essay and Valedictory....."As You Like It"
Mabel Rose Kraft
Valse....."Alpen Klange" (Zikoff)
Orchestra
Presentation of Diplomas.....Mr. C. C. Bigger
March....."Radium Rag" (Price)
Orchestra

The grammar school program is as follows:

PART I.
Chorus....."Old Glory"
Reading.....Bert Maybee
Wand Drill.....Twenty-Eight Girls
Chorus.....Flag Song
Reading.....Robert Sweet
Song.....Harold Standly
Reading.....Hazel Rankin
Song.....Gladys Boomer, Jean Brown, Vansette Fawcette
PART II.
Chorus.....Spring Song
Salutatory.....Thornie Lamme
Instrumental Solo.....Loreta Clay
Reading.....Lena Tapscott
Instrumental Duet.....Bertha and Venia Libby
PLAY....."HIRING HELP"
Mrs. Mervin.....Madge Kent
Emma, her daughter.....Ruby Adams
Bridget Rooney.....Lena Tapscott
Norah McCarty.....Edith Hamilton
Ellen Flynn.....Zola Groes
Joanna O'Neil.....Naomi Love
Angelina Simper.....Loreta Clay
Mary Ames.....Pearl Phillips
Reading.....Bertha Libby
Debater: Resolved, That We Are More Indebted to the Army Than to the Navy.
Affirmative.....Ira Sharp, Earl Whitaker, Everett Dye
Negative.....Thornie Lamme, Ransler Baker, Oral Matsel
Instrumental Solo.....Bertha Libby
Valedictory.....Ira Sharp
Presentation of Certificates
Chorus....."God of Nations"

Registered Percheron Stallions at Auction

At the public sale which he will hold next Monday at the farm he recently sold, one-half mile east of Laclede depot, C. B. Dagger will sell at auction four of his registered Percheron stallions—X-Ray No. 19813, Ben Duke No. 23807, Virgil No. 59230 and a colt. These are extra good animals and Mr. Dagger's only reason for selling them is his poor health. The fine jack Howard, some other live stock, farming implements, stoves, etc., will also be sold. The terms are nine months without interest or 5 per cent. discount for cash. Those interested in good draft horses should attend this sale and see to it that these stallions are kept in this locality.

M. E. Church Notes

The Sunday morning service will be of unusual interest as the hour will be of a diversified program. A reception of members will be the first either by letter, relation to other churches or those who have recently expressed a desire to unite with us after which baptism will be administered followed by a sacramental service. In the evening the pastor will preach to the high school students.

The attendance at Sunday school last Sunday morning was 225 and the collection \$7.50.

The regular meeting of the Aid Society will be held at the parsonage next Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. E. Welsh, Miss Laura Love and Mrs. J. L. Burke attended the conference foreign missionary society convention which convened at Cameron Thursday and Friday of this week.

The Aid Society held a called meeting at the parsonage Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of considering and appointing committees for the repairs on the parsonage. Two committees were appointed, as follows: Soliciting committee: Rev. L. C. Powell, H. C. Lomax, Dr. Standly, Mrs. W. H. Woods, Mrs. W. R. Barton, Mrs. Dr. J. L. Burke and Mrs. C. C. Bigger. Committee on plans and specifications: Mrs. Etta Foreman, Mrs. George Clark, Mrs. J. T. Lomax, Mrs. L. C. Powell, Lee Hamilton and Henry Kraft.

The union revival services which have been in progress during the past three weeks in the M. E. church closed on last Sunday night with a large crowd. The meetings each night were attended by large and appreciative audiences. Rev. Goodale, as evangelist, assisted by Prof. Washburn, as leader of the choir, has done a splendid work. There were 136 professions and many more have expressed their honest intentions to lead a better life. We can truthfully recommend Rev. Goodale as an earnest, faithful, christian gentleman, who is unceasing in his efforts to win souls for Christ. Prof. Washburn has not only proven himself worthy of much credit in his musical ability but has rendered faithful services throughout the meeting, helping many to know the Christ as their Savior. On Monday Rev. Goodale accompanied by his family left for his home near St. Louis where he will rest for a short while before resuming his labors in another place. Prof. Washburn returned to his home in Brookfield on the same day. May God's richest blessings attend them as they go elsewhere to another field of labor.

A Chance to Get a Home in Oklahoma

One million, five hundred thousand acres of Oklahoma school land will be sold this year on 40 years time at 5 per cent interest under the law just passed by the legislature. Map and copy of law, description of land and how to buy sent upon receipt of \$1.00. School Land Advertising Company, Helena, Oklahoma.

Dr. Z. T. Standly was in Kansas City Thursday night attending the annual banquet of the University of Michigan Kansas City Club, composed of the alumni of the university of Michigan of which Dr. Standly is one. The banquet was a swell affair, being \$5 per plate. President Angel, who is now eighty-two years of age, made the principle address of the evening.

THINGS YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW

Pungent Paragraphs Picked up by Our Penetrating Pencil Pusher.

A. M. Walker showed his new imported Percheron stallion at the horse show in Linneus last Saturday where he attracted unusual attention among those interested in draft horses.

At the regular meeting of the Modern Woodmen last Wednesday night Fred Weaver was elected camp banker to succeed J. Q. Aber, resigned. Several new members have been enrolled the past month.

Thirty head of high grade Jersey cows, just from the vine clad state of Vermont, will be sold at Meadville on Saturday, April 24. They are all good ages and good milkers. Some have calves by their sides, others will be fresh soon.

The final result of last week's school election gives E. L. Joyce the county commissionership by 86 votes over Mrs. Adams. The total vote received by each of the three candidates was: Joyce, 1424; Mrs. Adams, 1338; Dickson, 796. Mr. Mr. Joyce serves as commissioner until next August when he will qualify as county superintendent and serve as such until the regular school election in April, 1911.

In organizing the new city council Aldermen Pratt and Weaver were made a committee to look after the park and cemetery. Mr. Pratt informs THE BLADE that a special effort is to be made to keep the park and cemetery in better condition this year than ever before. There is now about \$100 in the cemetery and it will be used for the purpose for which it was created. If those owning or having charge of lots will clean them and deposit the trash in the driveways as soon as the weather will permit, it will be hauled off at the expense of the city. The work will be in charge of a competent person and all are requested to render what assistance they can. Mr. Pratt is also planning to put the park in better condition and use lawn mowers on it throughout the season.

W. C. T. U. Resolution

If the prints are reliable, Mrs. F. H. Ingalls, leader of the prohibition forces at Jefferson City, makes this statement: That the resolution introduced by Representative Conran will really help the prohibition movement. The said resolution places the going into effect of the prohibition movement in 1913, ostensibly to give the brewers four years to wind up their business; in fact, to extend the time and opportunity for these bandits to pursue their nefarious operations of corrupting voters, legislators and courts, encouraging hoodlumism, training repeaters and in general corrupting and debauching society. Therefore,

Resolved, That we, the members of Laclede W. C. T. U., enter our protest, stating that such conclusion is not a logical sequence, but that the acceptance of said resolution will in fact defeat the efficacy of said amendment; that the Conran resolution is a shrewd movement on the part of the brewers and saloons (the whisky power) to gain time and nullify constitutional prohibition, and if the amendment should pass thus restricted, we favor the taking of a referendum vote for state-wide prohibition to go into effect as soon as voted.

LACLEDE W. C. T. U.

Some Evening Reveries.

A happy home is the brightest spot on earth that the eye of God looks down upon. Love and peace in his home sends sunshine around the man wherever he goes; disorder and trouble there is misery everywhere. There are few worries of life which a man cannot now and then shake off, but who can shake himself free from the skeleton in the closet, from the worry of the household, a blister on the heart. A day will tell how many a man carried that with him without wincing down to the grave. When husband and wife are helpmate to each other in the best sense; when order and love and goodness prevail in the house. Then the man who has a hard battle in life to fight can leave his struggles behind him when he enters there. With all our faults we are the most home loving of people and that is the reason why we are the greatest of people. Whatever helps home life is a national blessing; whatever hurts home life is a national curse, and the greatest curse that can touch these blessing is what would tamper with the peace and blessedness of our homes.

It is extremely unpleasant for a sensitive woman who, before marriage, had been earning her own living, and had been accustomed to spending her income as she pleased to ask a man for money to buy everything she needs, such as cotton, needles, pins, etc. It seems to us no more than right that a man should give his wife, for her own necessities, at least as much money as he would a servant. She keeps his house, provides for the comfort of himself and children, not for hire, but because she loves them, and she cares for her husband's interests as no hired housekeeper would, and is she not entitled to pay for her services? Yet some men would think it a hardship to pay a wife \$2.00 per week—the amount he would be obliged to pay a servant girl. There is many a woman among the working classes who would think herself highly favored if she were sure of fifty cents per week of her husband's wages to spend as she pleased. The above hints are for the husbands who need them, and written in consideration of their good wives.

There is one class of laborers who never strike and seldom complain. They get up at five o'clock in the morning and never get back to bed until ten or eleven o'clock at night; they work without ceasing the whole of that time, and receive no other emolument than food and the plainest kind of clothing; they understand something of every branch of economy and labor, from finance to cooking; though harassed by a hundred responsibilities, though driven and worried, though reproached and looked down upon they never revolt, and they cannot organize for their own protection. Not even sickness releases them from their posts. No sacrifice is deemed for them to make, and no incompetency in any branch of their work is excused. No essays, books or poems are written in tribute to their steadfastness. They die in the harness and are supplanted as quickly as may be. These are the housekeeping wives of the laboring men.

Take your poor, tired, crippled eyes to Dr. Griffith at the Foreman house Saturday, May 1.

SHORT PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Mrs. M. P. Benson spent Tuesday in Chillicothe.

Miss Grace Sissons wants a few more milk customers.

V. E. Harter spent the first of the week in Iowa on a visit.

Dr. Kate Standly spent the first of the week visiting in Chillicothe.

Goose eggs for sale at 50 cents per setting by L. W. Lomax, route 3, Laclede. 4-17-3t

Barred Plymouth Rock eggs 50 cents per setting. A. M. Walker, route three, Laclede.

Frank Clark has moved from Meadville onto W. H. Glover's farm northeast of Laclede.

Girl wanted for general house work; small family, no washing. Call at this office or phone 57.

Miss Florence Bettelheim of Brookfield visited Mrs. H. C. Lomax in Laclede last Saturday.

Single Comb White Leghorn eggs for sale at 50 cents per setting by Geo. L. Farrar, route 1, Brookfield.

One hundred bushels of fancy new crop Whipperwill cow peas at \$2.50 per bushel. P. F. Felt, Laclede.

Rev. Wm. Sissons will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening. Everybody invited.

M. P. Benson has made substantial improvements on his residence property the past week, by erecting a neat, new barn.

T. M. Elliott and T. J. Welsh have been drawn from this township to serve as jurors in the May term of circuit court at Linneus.

H. J. Hammond of Sumner, enroute home from a business trip to Arkansas, was in Laclede Monday and made this office a friendly visit.

If you have reason to believe your glasses are not right or your eyes give you trouble, consult Dr. A. V. Griffith at the Foreman house Saturday, May 1.

Why not have a cow on your farm that will give as much milk as three ordinary cows, and be five times as rich. If you want one of that kind attend the sale of Jersey cows at Meadville Saturday, April 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hetrick and children returned home from Brookfield Sunday evening where they have been spending the last ten days with Mrs. Hetrick's father, who left for Denmark last Thursday night to visit relatives.

W. S. Savage this week traded his 160 acre Kansas farm for the Redmond 120 acre farm five miles south of Laclede. As Mr. Savage has the Kansas farm rented for this year the exchange of property will not take place until next March.

If you want to buy a cow that will be a pleasure and a profit attend the sale at Meadville Saturday, April 24, and buy one of those good Jersey cows that give good, rich milk, and have some of that good butter like mother used to make.

While in Kansas last week C. B. Dagger bought a farm near Walnut and will move onto it soon after his public sale here which will be held next Monday. Laclede regrets to lose Mr. and Mrs. Dagger as they are splendid citizens and will be missed.